

MEAP Coordinator Update

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WINTER 2004 - SCANNING PROGRESS

Scanning of answer folders for the Winter 2004 MEAP is nearing completion. As of today, more than 714,000 folders have been scanned out of an estimated 1.4 million documents in total. Scanning is expected to be completed by March 19.

Documents that have already been scanned are being processed on multiple fronts: constructed response items are being read and scored, data files are being tested for any inconsistencies and anomalies prior to scoring, student demographics are being prepared for review by schools and districts.

WINTER 2004 – TESTED STUDENT ROSTERS

Within the next two weeks, districts will begin to receive tested student rosters containing the demographic information for review and correction. When files become available, schools will be notified via email and/or phone call to district coordinators.

Each district will have two weeks for review of data. The current schedule calls for all districts to have access to student rosters and demographics on or about the first of April. The order in which districts will receive rosters is wholly dependent upon when scanning and initial data review is completed on a district-by-district basis.

Districts needing technical assistance during the demographic review process may call the MEAP help line at (877)-560-8378 toll-free or (517) 373-8393.

MI-ACCESS STUDENTS IN THE MEAP DATABASE

Several inquiries have been received about what needs to be done, if anything, with MI-Access student records in the MEAP database. For No Child Left Behind calculations, Single Record Student Database (SRSD) information is used to obtain denominators for NCLB participation rates. If a MEAP answer document is not received for a MI-Access student, no action is necessary.

ETHICS POWERPOINT

"Ethical Issues in Testing", the MEAP PowerPoint presentation shown at the Michigan School Testing Conference is available for download on the MEAP and MERIT website: www.meritaward.state.mi.us

CENTER PROGRAM STUDENTS AND NCLB

Assessment scores for students who are receiving instruction in a center program operated by another local district or an intermediate school district are "owned" by the district providing the instruction. For NCLB purposes, the scores should be assigned to the district delivering the instruction, regardless of whether it is a local district or an ISD.

SPRING 2003 RESULTS

MEAP reports for Spring 2003 are being prepared for release. There has been an unexpected delay due to some program coding. MEAP will notify coordinators via email when scores are ready. It is anticipated that reports will be available within the next two weeks.

MEAP@MICHIGAN.GOV

As a reminder, the new email address for the MEAP help desk is <u>meap@michigan.gov</u>

In addition, you may want to note the following phone numbers and web addresses:

MEAP office local phone number (517) 373-8393 MEAP office toll-free phone number (877) 560-8378

MEAP office FAX: (517) 335-1186

MEAP secure database: www.michgan.gov/meap

Public MEAP and MERIT web site: www.meritaward.state.mi.us